

REMARKS

The *Ex parte Quayle* Office Action of March 13, 2006, has been carefully reviewed, and in view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

In the above Office Action, the Examiner objected to the Abstract due to its length, as noted therein. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 1-15 are allowable over the cited prior art.

The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended to reduce the number of words to fall within the 50-150 word range as required by U.S. patent practice. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's objections have been obviated, and the application is now in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of the same is earnestly solicited.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application or should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application; the Examiner is kindly invited to call the undersigned counsel for Applicants regarding the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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